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## PETITION TO REVIVE AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED **UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b)**

Sir:

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the Office notice or action plus any extensions of time actually obtained.

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION.

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		(1)	Petition fee;		
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		(3)	Terminal Disclaimer with disclaimer fee for all utility and plan		
			patents filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design		
			applications; and		
		(4)	Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.		
	Encl	osed herewit	h please find:		
1.	Petition fee				
	[X]	Small Enti	ty fee of <u>\$ 665.</u> Applicant claims small entity status.		
	[]	Other than	Small Entity fee of \$		
2.	Reply and/or fee				
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		terminal disclaimer is required.			
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- 4. Statement: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b) was unintentional.
- 5. Additional information regarding the circumstances of this delay: The present application was originally prepared and filed pro-se. The applicants did not understand the office action, did not realize the application was abandoned and recently sought the assistance of the undersigned in prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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